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MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. F. Iscke	FRIDAY, 18th June, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE.	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. Lenz	SATURDAY, 19th June.

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Hongkong, 14th June, 1909.

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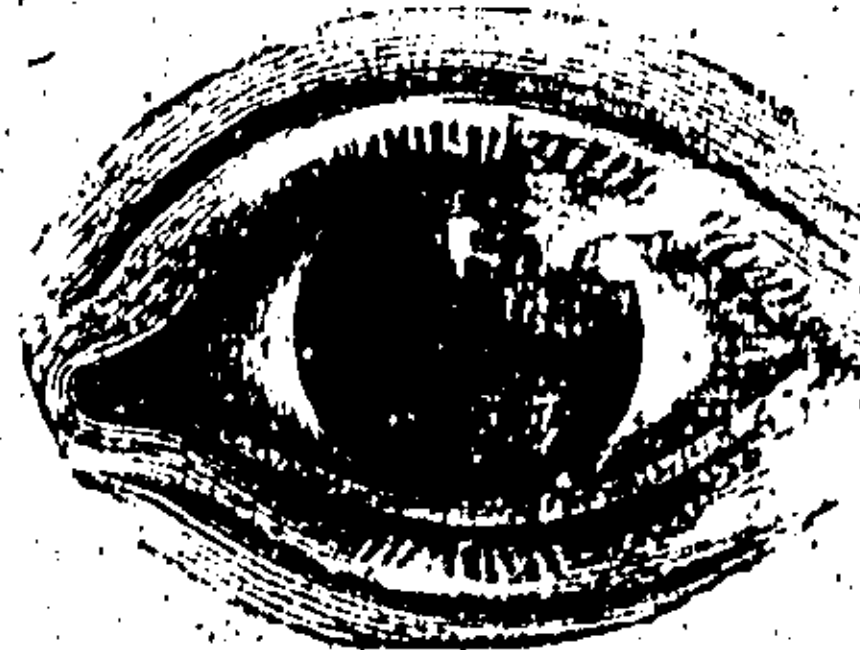
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PROGRAMME OF NEXT SESSION.

The next session of the College of which His Excellency the Governor of the Colony is the patron and the Hon. Mr. Francis H. May, C.M.G., rector, commences on Wednesday, 1st September, 1909. The preliminary examination will begin on Tuesday, 17th August.

The subjects prescribed for the preliminary examination are as follows:—

I. English, including reading, dictation, composition, grammar, analysis; with questions on the general outlines of English History, and on the general outlines of the geography of Europe and Asia, with special reference to the geography of China.

II. Latin, or classical Chinese, or other classical language. (Grammar, and easy translation from and into English.)

III. Mathematics, comprising:—(1) arithmetic, including vulgar and decimal fractions, proportion, percentage, square root, and simple interest; (2) algebra, including simple equations and easy quadratic equations; and (3) geometry, including the subject matter of Euclid, Books I., II. and III., with easy deductions.

IV. One optional subject: Greek, French, German, a modern Chinese dialect, or other modern language. (Grammar, and easy translation from and into English.)

The Oxford Local Examination certificates, Senior and Junior, are accepted as exempting from the preliminary examination *pro tanto*, i.e. exempt from examination on subjects passed in the Oxford Local Examinations.

The fee of the College is \$120 per annum. Any class in the College may be attended by a non-matriculated student, i.e. by one who does not wish to pass a preliminary examination, on payment of a class fee of twenty dollars, on account of each such class, for each session of four months' duration; but no class so attended will be allowed to count as a part of the regular medical curriculum of the College.

This is arranged to provide for those intending to qualify as pharmaceutical chemists, or desirous of studying the scientific subjects only, such as physics, chemistry, practical chemistry, and biology.

Candidates for the preliminary examination should enter their names before 2nd August.

The calendar of the College and all information regarding it may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Dr. J. C. Thomson, at the Tung Wah Hospital, or at the Alice Memorial Hospital.

H. H. WU TING-HANG AS A SCHOOL VISITOR.

Chicago, May 9.

Wu Ting-hang, Chinese Minister to the United States, has accepted the presidency of the Chinese school of Chicago, according to an announcement made to-day. The school is one of a series started under the auspices of the Imperial Chinese Government: Courses in Chinese literature, domestic science, Chinese and international law, and in the customs and habits of Chinese in their own country will be given. There are thirty-two students ranging in age from 6 to 30 years already enrolled.

TAKES TO COLLEGE GIRLS.

Chicago, May 8.

Wu Ting-hang, the Chinese Minister to this republic, was palpably embarrassed this afternoon and lacked his usual ready flow of language. He explained it by saying that he was not accustomed to addressing an audience made up especially of women, particularly college women. The couple of hundred Wellesley alumnae who had gathered for their annual banquet on the ninth floor ballroom of the Auditorium did not seem to notice it, though, and they applauded him heartily.

None of the other speakers aroused so much enthusiasm as Minister Wu. He began by apologizing for his embarrassment, following it up by a confession of a change of mental attitude toward women since his residence in the United States, and concluded by saying that all women should be educated—if possible they should receive college education. He told of the condition of women in China and intimated that while it is desirable for Chinese to learn all good lessons possible from Western nations he would not have them imitate any of our vices.

BIG GAME OF THE SEA.

SIX HUNDRED WHALES KILLED WITH EXPLOSIVE HARPOONS.

Three Norwegian whalers, the *Edda*, the *Samen*, and the *Hercules*, have left Plymouth for Sandefjord, on their return from South Georgia, where they have been on an expedition, in the course of which over six hundred whales were captured.

The season, which lasted four months, is a record, 14,000 barrels of oil, worth 800,000 kroner, having been secured.

Capt. Sorlie, one of the skippers, described the method of whale hunting pursued by steam whalers. In the bows of the craft is a small cannon, from which is fired a harpoon. In the head of the harpoon is an explosive. When the weapon is fired at a distance of about 30 fathoms from the whale the aim is for the creature's lungs. The harpoon is embedded in the flesh, and an explosion follows. Sometimes it happens that the charge does not explode, and then the ship may be towed for miles by the wounded monster.

Capt. Sorlie and Capt. Hansen both had narrow escapes from death. Accidents happened to a platform on which the guns were mounted, the fork breaking and releasing the weapons. Capt. Sorlie saved himself by hurling himself to the deck, but Capt. Hansen was caught by a gun which crushed a leg and an arm.

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Hongkong, 8 Junho de 1909.

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Goods not cleared by the 15th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

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Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th June, 1909.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"BRASILIA."

Captain Jager, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 10th June, 1909.

"HEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLEDI,"
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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 12nd inst., or they will not be recognised.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th June, 1909.

AMERICAN AND MANCHURIAN LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, 21st inst., at 3 P.M.

All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

In consequence of the steamer having grounded in the Suez Canal consignees must sign a General Average Bond before Bills of Lading can be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th June, 1909.

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1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1909.

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1909.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

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The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PARASOL, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor School, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1909.

BRITISH TYPES IN CHINA.

It has always been my idea when in China to get away from the great sea-port towns like Hongkong and Shanghai and note how the Briton conducts himself in what is termed "real China," where steam and electricity have not as yet made life civilised. But "civilisation" is to be found right in the heart of China. For instance I bought Crosse and Blackwell's pickles and Capstan Navy Cut at Chungking 1,500 miles up the great Yangtze from Shanghai. At Chungking you will also find the British Consul training his polo ponies to beat the German Naval officers, the forces meeting on a sand-spit of the Yangtze to fight it out. True there are no motor-cars after Hankow and only one at the latter city, but Hankow has rikshas and telephones and ice-strengas. Having lived for thirty days in a sampan of large size on the Yangtze and traversed 1,000 miles of the great river I had plenty of time to study mankind. To meet anyone who spoke English, gave you a tiffin, or a good cigar was a treat beyond words. The fare was curry and rice for breakfast, tiffin and dinner and mightily tough chickens they were still it was a case of eat or starve and I chose the latter. The most palatial steamers run between Shanghai and Ichang a distance of 1,000 miles; then you say good-bye to all luxury from a palace to a prison is not much of an exaggeration. The sampan was leaky, draughty and overrun with rats! There were eight of a crew who slept, ate and smoked on a space about 10 feet square. Their food was fried cabbage and rice and on this diet they walked like mountain-goats 20 miles a day overhauling the craft through the famous Yangtze rapids. Wonderful men! Never a complaint, and their temperation from Ichang to Chungking, a distance of 400 miles, which took 20 days, was 53 (Mex.) each. Where in any other part of the world could you find labour so cheap?

I shall never forget, after having passed a week in the boat with the rain coming through the roof occasionally, not having taken my clothes off at night on account of the perishing cold, and the eternal smell of fried cabbage in my nostrils, the five o'clock tea I had with the Rev. Mr. Platt and his wife who are doing missionary work at Kweifu. The China Inland Mission makes a rule that their preachers and teachers must live right in the heart of the Chinese quarter, so it can be imagined how repellant this is to people of refined tastes. The Platts and Miss Clarke were seated at five o'clock tea dressed in Chinese costume with two fine little sons who handed the cake round. That tea and cake was magnificent. Mr. Platt was once in a merchant's office in Melbourne and gave up an income of £300 a year to go to China where he lives on half that amount. Mrs. Platt smiled broadly when I said, "I suppose you won't stay at this life long cut off from all that makes life worth living, you cannot really like Kwei-fu."

"Oh, why do you say that? Perhaps in ten years' time we may take a holiday. Our work is so engrossing that we don't think of our exile."

Miss Clarke is quite a bright-faced pretty English girl and walks through the lanes and by-ways of Kweifu in her Chinese costume making converts. I met her in one of these rambles and put out my hand to take hers.

"Please don't. I mustn't shake hands, the Chinese would be horrified," so I shook hands with myself.

"Poor girl," I thought, literally buried alive at Kweifu in the cause of Christianity.

The Belgian and French orders never leave China. When once they come out they remain and only permanent incapacity is sufficient excuse to allow them to return to Europe. The photograph I have of one of the missionaries at Ichang who lies in his coffin with both arms cut off, both feet, and his skull bashed in, tells its own story of what a missionary may incur. This poor padre was shot, it was said, had been whipped by the priest. Once a Chinaman's blood is up he is a fiend incarnate.

At every turn almost on the Yangtze you meet missionaries of various orders. Though the life is hard and monotonous they are not in any way deprived of luxury. The China Inland Mission is exceptionally good in this respect, not forgetting, of course, that the C. I. M. is a very rich concern.

The type of Consul one meets in the interior of China doesn't complain of over-work. He, as a rule, is surrounded with home comforts. Good wine, cigars, law, tennis and fox terriers give that touch to an Englishman's home that we all admire. He yawns and of course wishes himself back in Piccadilly. At luncheon at the British Consulate with Mr. Little, at Ichang, I could have imagined myself in London so far as comfort is concerned and in many respects a great deal more luxury. At the Ichang Club, in a room for reading and one for billiards the whole British colony assembles. The shipping boss and clerk are having steaks, the customs officials are having tea up, the doctor, the consul and all the rest are doing in this remote city of China just as they would in any civilised city. Yet look out of the door! There is a Chinese criminal not far off with his chin at an angle of 45 degrees protruding from the top of a cage and he can't lower it. There is another in the stocks. There is a naked beggar lying in the midst of frightful filth and squalor. Yes, you are in China and the picture without is in strange contrast to the comfortable British Club within. Truly the Englishman is the embodiment of apathy. It is said that two Englishmen meeting each other on the ruins of Mesopotamia the morning after the "quake" nodded complacently and one said, "I wonder, old chap, if we can get a drink anywhere." At Chungking executions take place frequently just behind the Imperial Post Office, the populace gathering as at a malice. China is still China, but I bar looking at executions.

H. M. M. in Singapore Free Press.

Intimations.

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Sd. I. P. MADAR.

WITNESS to the signatures of DHUNJEEBHAY DORABEE NOWROJEE and ISMAIL PILLAY MADAR.

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" Feet—Chai Keok 12

" Fry—Chai Chai 18

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" Heart—Chai Sum each 8

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Chicken—Kai Chai 30

Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai 30

Ducks—A 20

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Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan per doz 20

Fowls, Canton—Kai 33

" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai 25

Geese—Ngo 17

Goose, Wild Shanghai—Shang Hoi Ye 17

Mus Deer—Wong Kong each 1

Hare—Tu Chai 1

Partridge—Che Khoo 1

Phasant—Shan Kai each pair 1

Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup each 25

" Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup 23

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Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk dozen 1

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Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung per lb 70

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FISH.

Barbel—Kai Yu 10

Bream—Bin Yu 15

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu 15

Carp—Li Yu 22

Catfish—Chik Yu 12

Codfish—Mun Yu 12

Crabs—Hal 20

Grass—Hal 20

Gutted Fish—Muk Yu 15

Dab—Sa Mang Yu 15

Dace—Wong Mei Lun 15

Dog Fish—Tit To Sa 15

Kels, Congor—Hoi Man Yu 16

" Fresh water—Tam Sol Yu 15

" Yellow—Wong Sin 24

Frog—Tien Kai 24

Groupers—Sak Pan 18

Gardoon—Pak Kup Yu 18

Hairings—Tao Pak 18

Halibut—Cheung Kwai Yu 18

Labrus—Wong Fa Yu 18

Loach—Wu Yu 18

Lobsters—Lung Ha 18

Mackerel—Chai Yu 18

Monk Fish—Mop Yu 18

Mullet—Chai Yu 18

Oysters—Sang Hoo 18

Parrotfish—Kai Kwai Yu 18

Perch—Tao Loo 18

Pike—Fa Pau Fong 18

Plaice—Pan Yu 18

Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong 18

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Prawns—Ming Ha 18

Ray—Pal Pa Sa 18

Rock Fish—Sak Kan Kung 18

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FRUITS.

Almond—Hung Yan 30

Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping 50

" (Chefoo)—Tin Chan Ping 10

" Small—Hoi Tong 10

" Custard—Fan Lai Chai 10

Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng 4

" Hong Chai 4

" (brides), Macao—San Heng Chai 6

Cherries, Chinese—Fong Lut 15

Carambola—Yeung Tau 10

Cocoanuts—Yeh Tai 10

Grapes—Sin Tai 10

Lemons, China—Ning Mook 10

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Lichees, Small Stone—Lai Chai Con 40

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Limes, (Sai Gon)—Sal Kung Ning 10

Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mook 10

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" Small—Tat Kut 10

" Mandarin—Tim Kut 10

Olives—Pak Lam 10

Passion Fruit 10

Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li 15

" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li 10

" (Shanghai)—Sheng Hoi Li 10

Peanuts, Fa Sang 10

Persimmons, Large—Hung Chai 10

Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheng Foon 10

" 2nd quality—Chung Tung 10

Paw-law 10

Platains—Tat Chai 10

Plums, Swallow—Hung Lai 10

Pumelo, Siam—Chin Lo Yau 10

Walnuts, Hop Tau 10

" Green—Sang Hop Tau 10

Shanghai Lo Kwai 10

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheng Hoi Ah 10

Chai Chai 10

Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Moon Pin 10

" Canton—Shang Hoi 10

" Pin Tau 10

Beans, Sprout—Ah Chai 10

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Water Chestnuts—Ma Tai 10

" Mandarin—Kwai Lum Ma Tai 10

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" Shal—Shang Hoi Chong Tai 10

" Japan—Yat Poon 10

Okros—Ho Ker 10

Parley, English—Yeung Un Sal 10

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" Shanghai—Sheng Hoi Shu 10

" Tsal 10

" Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tai 10

" American—Pa Ki 10

" Fookchow—Fuk Chai Shu Tai 10

" Macao—Oh Moon 10

Pumpkins—Tong Kwa 10

Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tai 10

Rhubarb 10

Shallots—Gon Chong Tai 10

Spinage (Chinese)—Paw Chai 10

Spinage—Yin Chai 10

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PASSAGE RATES TO EUROPE.

In another column we give an account, in brief form, of a new scheme which is intended to benefit the traveller of moderate means who is unable to afford the expense of a first-class passage to England by the regular mail liners and yet is not inclined to forego the companionship of his social equals by secluding himself in the steerage. Personally we do not consider it matters much one way or another whether a man travels first-class or in the stoke-hold so long as he reaches his destination, although, of course, the pleasures of luxury, prompt attendance, and the free run of a well-appointed mail-boat are undeniable. But after all the object of the average traveller is to get there, and it is really no disgrace to economize although that does not mean to say that many people do look upon it in that light. No doubt it is pleasant to travel comfortably and in agreeable company by the mail lines to Europe, by the C. P. R. or Pacific Mail boats to America or by the Siberian railway; but when all is said and done a passenger on these ten-thousand ton steamers is pretty much of a nonentity and merely a medium for the transference of hard cash to the stewards in the shape of tips. In the case of the new service to which we have alluded, the idea is to provide passages for first-class travellers only, at a rate which compares more than favourably with the charges made for second-class passengers on the principal overseas liners. The *Segura*, a steamship of some 5,000 tons, is the tangible token that the service has been inaugurated, but at present the scheme is in the nature of an experiment, a feeder to discover whether there is really a popular demand for such a service. If the idea proves successful then the line will become an established fact and it is said that special vessels will be built to meet the requirements of the travelling public. The fact that these steamers will carry only one class of passengers, who will share and share alike, enjoy equal advantages and be, presumably, of the same station in life should be welcome to those who detest the condescension and patronage which occasionally fall upon those who travel at the inferior rates on the main lines. It cannot be said that £35 for a first-class passage by a vessel belonging to the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company of London is too much for a journey to the old country and so far as we can make out the

reduced rate is only rendered possible by a mutual arrangement entered into between that company and the Shire line. Indeed, if the accommodation for passengers is limited to fifty it seems to us that the united fares will just about meet the Suez Canal charges, and leave a trifle over for the cost of the stewards. One is inclined to wonder whether in this new scheme we do not see an attempt to solve the problem of the shipping conference—that bugbear of Singapore journalism. If so then doubtless our conferees in the Southern Settlement will rejoice with exceeding gladness and great joy, for in a recent issue the *Singapore Free Press* waxed so eloquent on the subject of shipping rings that it advocated punitive measures. "The whole trade of the Colony is taxed that a few firms, including foreigners, may receive a bribe not to compete with the Ring. This is plain language, but as the trade of the Colony has to fight for its very existence over this matter of preferential rebates, 'off with the gloves.'" That is the sort of way in which our contemporary refers to the question, and it will be interesting to see how it takes this new departure from the beaten track. For ourselves, what we should like to see is a fight to the finish for passengers from Hongkong to London. In such a case it is just possible that the competing lines might actually go the length of subsidising the willing traveller to journey by their particular boats, and we should then see such an exodus of Britishers bound for Europe as would cast the annual American invasion into dark and gloomy shade. Then it might be possible for some who have long dreamt of a trip to the homeland to realise their ambition. But, of course, that is all an idle fantasy and we must be content with small mercies and be thankful for what the gods provide. At the same time, if this project of providing first-class accommodation for those who prefer it on intermediate boats at moderate rates proves the success which we feel convinced will attend the venture, there is no reason to believe that other shipping companies will not enter into the game of beggar-my-neighbour. If we are to accept the dictum of Sir Thomas Sutherland—which we do—that the cost of a passage from London to China works out at the "parliamentary" train rate of a penny a mile for first-class passengers, what is the mileage cost of an exclusive class rate by the Shire line? As a matter of fact to paraphrase an old maxim, it is not the pennies that count but the sum total which runs into pounds sterling. The people to benefit by the low passage rate introduced by the joint owners of the *Segura* are not those resident in the Far East—at least this year; for it is safe to say that intending travellers to Europe doing the present season have long since made certain of their berths by the regular mail steamers, the English, German, French and Japanese lines. And in the case of those who are on holiday bent they are certain to have booked return passages. So that it is not until next year that the effect of the scheme in question will be appreciated. For that reason it is to be hoped that should the expectations of the promoters not be realised at the outset by a plethora of applications for cabins, they will not give way to the apparent implication that the demand they believed to exist was really non-existent. The trial must be over an extended period if it is to be a trial worthy of the name, and experience will show, unless we are vastly mistaken, that the enterprise of the Shire line will be adequately rewarded. At all events, we can only welcome any arrangement which has for its object the cheapening of passenger rates from the Orient to Europe and trust that this venture is the precursor of cheaper cable rates between the mother country and the colonies.

DOWN ON THE MAGPIE.

When a notice is issued by the Colonial Secretary's Department by the authority of His Excellency the Governor requesting all holders of game licences to destroy magpies whenever opportunity offers, "with a view to preserving song birds in this Colony," the most enthusiastic supporter of the high Government officials must sadly admit that there must be exceedingly little business of a public character to transact. Such a notice appearing in the *Government Gazette*, where nobody would have seen it and where it would have remained in sweet oblivion had it not been rescued by the press, certainly throws a lurid light on the activities of the Government. We had been under the impression that the Department was so busily engaged in grappling with the railway problem, so deeply immersed in the intricacies of the opium question, so profoundly absorbed in subsidiary coinage calculations, and so keenly intent in an endeavour to make both ends meet and save the Colony from financial disaster that it had no time left for the consideration of such pettifoggish, trivial and ridiculous matters as the habits of the irrepressible magpie. But it appears that in its grandmotherly anxiety to preserve the amenities of the Colony, the Government is determined to suppress, banish, extirpate and generally to annihilate the detestable ruffian who defies the law by encroaching on the eggs of the Colony's song

birds. Never since the days of that historic gentleman the jack-of-all-trades has there been such a born rascal as the magpie of Hongkong. The archbishop was content merely to curse with bell, book and candle that arch-thief who went off with the episcopal ring, but by order of the Government a general licence to commit culpable homicide has been given against the miserable magpie. His days are numbered in the land; no more will he be allowed to cock his impudent tail and wink his shameless eye, or exhibit his brazen insolence in the face of a long enduring public. The fiat has gone forth that he has to go, and his departure will be hastened with a dum-dum bullet if he leaves the warning unheeded. To think that in the midst of the stupendous labours of the Government officials the common or garden magpie should so thrust forward his wits that state affairs are absolutely dislocated is to think the unthinkable. Long have we wondered what was the cause of that wild and worried look on the countenances of official members of the Legislative Council. Now and again we attributed it to the hanky-panky tricks of the Crown Agents or the delinquencies of that office-boy who, as we showed on a previous occasion, is largely responsible for the publication of the *Government Gazette*. But it was neither of these things—it was that infernal magpie. It is because of our real and declared sympathy with the Government officials in their woes and tribulations that we shout "à bas the magpie!" just precisely what he has been doing of late we are not in a position to tell; but this much is certain, he has been disturbing that spirit of restful repose which is the supreme characteristic of the properly-moulded, highly-trained and truly distinguished civil servant. Now, if there is one thing more than another that arouses a saint's choler it is the intrusion of such purely extraneous subjects as magpies and, we believe, reporters. No doubt in the divine wisdom of providence there is some sort of use of these tatterdemalions, but not in Hongkong. And as it is not yet legal to boot or shoot the newspaper men at sight, the Government have adopted the next best alternative and ordered a general massacre of the magpies, so that brethren of our kidney are temporarily safe. Candidly, such a notice as that appearing in the *Gazette* does smack of infantile fatuity, and tends to reduce the purpose of the *Gazette* to a *reductio ad absurdum*. Granted that the magpie is a born bandit and a flagrant, flippant freebooter, is he the only one of the kind? Have the song birds, whose carollings charm the official ear, no other enemies to fear? And is it not one of the wise dispensations of nature that all animal and bird life is instinctively guided to guard against their natural foes? Why, then, should the Government rush so desperately to the rescue of the song birds which are probably well able to protect themselves and their young? The probability is that if the magpies were exterminated the consequent increase in the number of song birds would be far worse in its effects so far as the agriculturist and gardener are concerned than the Government could imagine. The magpies are not wholly devoted to the ravishing of the nests of song birds. He is also given to putting in his spare time as a public scavenger and as such has a claim on the Government. He is practically omnivorous; we are told on the authority of a well-known naturalist, so that if an egg comes his way now and again he accepts it as a blessing from heaven. The real harrier of birds' nests—songsters or otherwise—is not the magpie so much as it is the small boy acting on instructions. Any evening couples of these young rascals can be met on the higher levels carefully scanning the trees for birds' nests. When the nests are located an opportunity is sought when nobody is about and the nests are emptied. Any body who knows anything about the Colony at all will testify to the accuracy of that statement. But that has nothing to do with the magpie. He is officially declared to be an abandoned and pestiferous profligate for whom sudden death is too good. There is just a chance, however, that the ultimatum issued at the instance of His Excellency the Governor may prove but so much waste paper, for the magpie is a prolific breeder, laying from five to eight eggs at a time and usually producing two broods a year. All the hen magpie will have to do now is to work overtime and so defeat the machinations of an antipathetic Government.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Advices have been received by the chief quartermaster of the division at Manila that the launch *Harrisburg*, which struck on a reef on the east coast of Samar a few days ago, is a total loss. She was used as a supply ship between Borongan and Camp Hay. As the former station is to be abandoned it will not be necessary to send another launch in her place. The British *s.s. Glenlogie*, Captain W. H. Padden, which arrived in port this morning from Singapore with 1,493 Chinese in the steerage, reports that between Hongkong and Lighthouse, Singapore, the vessel rescued the crew (six) of a Chinese shipwrecked junk and brought them over to Hongkong. The steamer encountered moderate S.W. monsoon and fair weather.

CHEAP TRIPS TO EUROPE.

"SEGURA" INAUGURATES NEW SERVICE FROM CHINA TO SOUTHAMPTON.

At the invitation of Captain Hayes, the master of the steamship *Segura*, one of the vessels belonging to the Shire line, a number of gentlemen representing the shipping companies of Hongkong and the press attended an informal reception which was given on board the ship yesterday afternoon. The function was intended to celebrate the inauguration of a new cheap passenger service between the Far East and the United Kingdom. Among those present were representatives of the local agents of the Shire line (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.), Messrs. E. F. Acutt & W. A. Fleming, Mr. H. G. White, of Suter, Hartmann & Rathbone, A. O. Lang, of Gibb, Livingstone & Co., Mr. Daniels, solicitor, and several others. The party was conveyed by special launch to the *Segura* and under the guidance of Captain Hayes made a round of inspection of the vessel. In two words the scheme of the new service may be outlined. The *Segura* is one of the R.M.S.P. fleet which trades to the River Plate and the West Indies. That company is in conjunction with the Shire line have entered into a mutual arrangement to provide what may be described as an experiment in the way of intermediate passages at rates which will appeal to those who do not care to buy a first-class ticket on the premier mail boats. Only a limited number of passengers can be taken, about fifty cabins being available, and it is believed that the venture will meet the approval of a considerable section of the community. We certainly think it is bound to succeed. If the initial voyages indicate that there is really a demand for a first-class passage from Hongkong to London at a cost of £35 then the amalgamated firms will build special and larger vessels to cope with the trade. The passenger accommodation is situated midships and most of the cabins are on the main-deck—unless our nautical knowledge is at fault. They are roomy and comfortable, fitted with all the usual appurtenances, including electric fans, and several have bathrooms, etc., attached. The dining-saloon is a cosy apartment of ample size to accommodate a good deal more than fifty passengers and there is the customary piano and library. There is also a smoking room of considerable dimensions, with the inevitable bar at hand. Altogether, the provision offered passengers is entirely satisfactory and, as they say, a bargain at the price. Tea and other suitable refreshments were handed round. Mr. Acutt, in a short felicitous speech congratulated Captain Hayes on his command, referred to the favourable prospects of the new service, and generally bespoke success for the venture. Captain Hayes, in responding, expressed his conviction that the experiment was bound to succeed, seeing that everything would be done for the comfort and pleasure of those who travelled by his ship and he expected to find that before his return from Yokohama some six weeks hence every cabin would be booked in advance.

On the promenade deck, a long and breezy walk, the company lounged for some time, leaving that the vessel was fitted with refrigerating apparatus—although no suggestion is made that she is going into the frozen-pork business—and has electric light throughout. Certainly it is to be hoped that the service inaugurated by the *Segura* will be fully patronised, for it meets a common demand. All passengers will be on an equal footing and all will enjoy the same privileges. The *Segura* is a vessel of some 5,000 tons.

THE RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT FOR THE FOUR WEEKS ENDING MAY 27, 1909.

The Chairman and Directors, Raub Australian Gold Mining Coy., Ltd., Singapore. Gentlemen,—I herewith beg to hand you my report on your mining and milling operations. The accompanying sheet of mine measurements and assay returns of prospecting work shows a total of 1,011 ft. for the period (4 weeks) under review, made up of 52 ft. sinking, 207 ft. driving, 631 ft. cross-cutting and 129 ft. of prospecting work as against a total of 866 ft. for the previous four weeks.

MINES.
Bukit Koman.—540 ft. Level, Drive North on Main Lode.—This has been driven 12 ft. The lode averages 54 in. wide but low in value.
Drive South at 9 ft. in Crosscut.—To this has been added 7 ft., making a total of 107 ft. The lode 47 in. wide, gives an average value of 7 dw. t.

Drive South at 12 ft. in Crosscut.—Here 12 ft. has been driven, bringing the total to 14 ft. The end carries mixed matter about 18 in. wide of very low grade.

40 ft. Level, Drive South.—This has been extended 70 ft., making a total of 564 ft. The lode 56 in. wide, averages 16 dw. t. per ton.
Drive North.—This has been taken from 24 ft. to 26 ft. The lode averages 22 in. in width and 14 dw. t. in value. Better ore is expected as the drive proceeds.

Drive North No. 1 Winze.—This has been sunk 16 ft., making the total depth 68 ft. The portion of the lode in sight is the full width of the winze, 48 in. and worth 14 dw. t.

340 ft. Level, Drive South from Stope.—This has been advanced 10 ft., making a total of 125 ft. The lode 60 in. wide, gives 3 dw. t.

340 ft. Level, Drive South.—A small winze has been sunk 13 ft. to connect with stope from below.

The crosscut west opposite the shaft has been extended 12 ft., making a total of 66 ft. Crosscutting for Stope-filling.—10 ft.

Above the 240 level 1 stope. Lode 12 in. wide and worth 8 dw. t.

STOPE MIN.

160 ft. Level, Drive South.—To this has been added 22 ft., making a total of 1,052 ft. The lode 80 in. wide, gives 31 dw. t. in value.

No. 1 Winze.—This has been sunk 23 ft., making total depth 33 ft. The lode in sight is 44 in. wide and worth 20 dw. t.

Branch from Stope.—The drives on this have lengthened 3 ft. to the north and south, making a total of 38 ft. These are now idle as the lode is too narrow and low in value.

160 ft. Level, Drive North.—To this has been added 12 ft., making the total 82 ft. The lode 58 in. wide, gives 5 dw. t. per ton.

A drive has been started on a second branch and taken 9 ft.

Crosscutting for Stope-filling.—169 ft.

Stopes.—Above the 160 ft. level, 2 stopes. Lode 73 in. wide and worth 8 dw. t.

ANDERSON SHAFT.

365 ft. Level, Main Crosscut West.—This has been extended 24 ft., making a total of 84 ft. Nothing further has been met and this work is stopped.

Drive North on Main Lode.—To this has been added 24 ft., making a total of 33 ft. During the month the drive passed through a disorganised piece of ground. It is again in settled ground and carries a fine body of ore. For the month it averaged 73 in. in width and 8 dw. t. in value.

Prospecting on some mixed matter met in the crosscut further to the west has not resulted in anything new.

The drive to the south on the main lode will be started during the coming month.

BUKIT MALACCA.

No. 1 Level, Drive South.—This has been driven 29 ft., making a total of 45 ft. south of shaft. The lode 50 in. wide, averages 7 dw. t.

Drive North from Crosscut East.—This has been taken from 24 ft. to 56 ft. on a lode 45 in. wide and worth 7 dw. t.

No. 2 Level, Crosscut East.—Here 10 ft. has been added, making a total of 26 ft. No change has been met.

Stopes.—Above the No. 1 level, 2 stopes. Lode 58 in. wide and worth 7 dw. t. On surface and underground 129 ft. of prospecting work has been done.

GENERAL.

At Anderson shaft the new head gear is almost completed.

At Bukit Koman the shaft has been fitted with new dividers and skip roads from the 440 to 540 level.

From the Willey tables 42 1/2 tons of concentrates have been recovered, worth 1.23 ozs. per ton.

The 12 weeks clean up of the Cyanide works has given 91 ozs. of gold from treating 193 1/2 tons of concentrates, and sands, equalling a recovery of 9.33 dw. t. per ton treated and 89 % extraction.

The Milling sheet accompanies this:

BUKIT KOMAN.

40 Stamps; ran 28 days less 15 days for clean up and repairs.
Huntington Mill ran 28 days less 37 1/2 days for clean up and repairs to supply pump which has been fitted with new valve.
Ore Crushed: Koman, 2,327 tons.
Stope, 1,564 "

Total 3,885 tons.

Amalgam Collected 3,215,500 ozs. producing Retorted Gold 1,104,000 " Smelted Gold 1,091,575 " Average yield per ton 5.62 dw. t. value of tailings .52 "

BUKIT MALACCA.

No. 1 Mill ran 24 1/2 days (crushing 318 tons of Mine ore and 1,776 tons Surface ore.

No. 11 " 21 " Total crushed 2,094 tons

Amalgam Collected 356,000 ozs. producing Retorted Gold 111,000 " Smelted Gold 110,000 "

Average yield per ton 1.04 dw. t. Total—ops crushed 5,979,000

Amalgam 3,571,000 ozs.

Smelted Gold 1,202,575 "

Average Fineness 99.707 "

Yield per ton 4.63 dw. t.

W. H. MARTIN, General Manager.

THE SINGAPORE EARTHQUAKE.

It is interesting to note that the earthquake of Thursday night (or rather Friday morning) scarcely affected clocks at the Time Ball Observatory on Mount Faber, reports the *Singapore Free Press* of 7th inst. The sidereal clock alters 0.38 seconds per day and is the standard. The variations of the solar clock, were by day from June 1st, 0.13 secs; 0.11 secs; 0.13 secs; 0.11 secs; and 0.10 secs. Thus there is absolutely nothing to show that the earthquake shocks affected the delicate clocks at the Observatory. The clocks can be compared to within one-fiftieth of a second. The blasting at Borneo Wharf has frequently had considerable effect on the clocks.

As we stated on Saturday, there has been given no instance of disturbance in the Tanjong Pagar District, and the above observations also show that the Mt Faber range cannot have been affected. The line of most disturbance seems to have been the range of hills that runs from Tangle to the sea, and eastward. There is abundant evidence that Mt Zion and the south of Grange rd. had the worst of the movement. Also that it was quite severe in the Hotel de Europe and Raffles, extending to the eastward and being noticeably felt at Tanjong Katong.

With regard to the haze that followed the earthquake on Friday morning, there has been something abnormal in the weather for the past few days. Yesterday morning there was a dense mist, almost an English November fog, in the Tangle District. Mr. R. S. Fry, who in 1893 was engaged in trigonometrical survey work, noted that for a few days after the earthquake then, all his observations were useless. Some unexplained refraction or haze interfered with the whole of them.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

MISSION TO JAPAN.

PRINCE CHEN'S DEPARTURE.

[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]

Shanghai, 14th June.

It is reported that Prince Chen will start for Shanghai on the 22nd inst. en route for Japan.

POLICE AND LAW SUITS.

INTERFERENCE PROHIBITED.

[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]

Peking, 14th June.

The Board of Civil Affairs has issued instructions to the head of Police in all Provinces not to interfere in law suits, as such interference is calculated to affect the powers of the local authorities.

RAILWAY LOAN.

AMERICAN PARTICIPATION.

[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]

Peking, 14th June.

The United States Minister in Peking insist on American financiers participating in the loan for the Canton-Hankow Railway.

Chang Chih-tung is rather embarrassed in the matter.

TEMPLE OF CONFUCIUS.

CONFIRMATORY REPORT.

[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]

Peking, 14th June.

The Governor of Shantung has reported that the Temple of Confucius has been burnt to the ground.

COPPER CURRENCY.

COMMISSION OF INQUIRY.

[By courtesy of the "Shuang Po"]

Peking, 14th June.

Duke Tsai, president of the Ministry of Finance, proposes to appoint a special Commission to inquire into the question of copper currency with a view to steps being taken to mitigate the evil.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

MACAO BOUNDARY QUESTION.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 14th June. The Society for the Protection of Boundary Rights at Canton yesterday received a telegram from the Chinese residing in Annam asking the members of the society to maintain a firm attitude against the Portuguese in the question of the delimitation of Macao.

RIVER STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
It is reported that the Ministry of Posts and Communications in Peking has granted permission to Mr. Chow Chong In, Director of the Chamber of Commerce at Wuchow, to float a company with sufficient capital to build steamers to run on the West River between Hongkong, Canton, Wuchow and Nanning.

THE RECENT MURDER.
With reference to the murder of Taotai Lau Sz Kee, a fortnight ago, not one of the assassins has so far been captured. The Viceroy has now given instructions to increase the amount of the reward to \$5,000 for the apprehension of the culprits.

FLOOD RELIEF.
Yesterday, the party sent by the Central Relief Committee on board the steam launch *Kong Hung* to the flooded district along the West River to assist the sufferers, with twenty thousand catties of rice and two thousand pieces of gunny bags, returned to Canton after having distributed the above articles. This morning the same party proceeded again to the flood districts with another supply to relieve the affected people.

THE SILK CROP.
It is learnt from the silk producing districts that, owing to the recent disastrous floods, the second crop of silk has been so greatly damaged that it will only yield about thirty per cent. of a normal crop.

FIRE.
Day before yesterday at 9 p.m. an outbreak of fire took place in Soi Shi Kai through the careless use of kerosene oil. On the alarm being raised, the different fire brigades promptly proceeded to the scene to render assistance. After nearly an hour's work the fire-fighters were able to extinguish the conflagration which had by that time already destroyed three houses and done damage to several others in the neighbourhood. In the accident two persons were injured.

FAMINE IN KANSU.
The Canton Viceroy has received a telegraphic despatch from the Viceroy of Kansu informing him that a severe famine is now prevailing in the province of Kansu, where thousands of famished people are now awaiting urgent relief. In the despatch the Canton Viceroy is requested to do his best to raise whatever funds possible and to remit money to the Kansu to relieve the famine.

Solicitor's Conduct Questioned.

ACTION FOR DISBARMENT.

SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

The Supreme Court was comfortably filled with spectators this morning when the interlocutory proceedings were taken, in which Mr. Clive Fletcher Dixon, solicitor, late of the firm of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, was called upon to show cause why his name should not be struck off the Roll of the Supreme Court for alleged misconduct.

The visitors numbered some forty persons, including many Chinese gentlemen, officers of the Hongkong Police Force, and many civilians, who followed the case with considerable interest. The defendant entered the court-room accompanied by his lawyers and his brother-solicitor, a few minutes before the Court sat, and took up the same position at the left hand end of the table as he occupied yesterday. He appeared more cheerful to-day, and chatted freely with his lawyers.

The Judges, Sir Francis Pigott and Mr. Justice Gompertz, arrived in Court shortly after half-past ten, when Mr. E. Potter (representing Messrs. Hastings and Hastings) the complainant, began his address to the Judges. Mr. Potter was instructed by Mr. C. D. Wilkinson, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist.

Counsel went into the alleged facts of the case at great length. He opened his address by saying that the application was on behalf of Mr. John Hastings, of the firm of Hastings and Hastings, that Mr. Clive Fletcher Dixon be struck off the Roll as a solicitor on the ground that he had been guilty of gross misconduct in his capacity as a solicitor.

Mr. Justice Gompertz—Gross misconduct?

Mr. Potter—Yes.

Mr. Calthrop (for the defence)—Might I suggest that my friend specifically formulate the charges against my client. I understand there are three charges of embezzlement.

Mr. Potter—I will come to them presently. The Chief Justice—Put them in the best form you can.

Mr. Calthrop returned that he wanted to know the charges Messrs. Hastings and Hastings are relying on.

Mr. Potter—There are three charges, but before coming to them I want to give a sketch of Mr. Dixon's connection with the firm of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings.

Mr. Calthrop—I want to know the charges first.

Mr. Potter replied that he would come to them presently.

Mr. Calthrop—We are entitled to know what they are.

Mr. Potter—Three in number, and here Counsel opened his case. He stated that a witness, one Wong Hui Tong, of Canton, would prove to the Court that on the 23rd July, 1908, he paid the sum of \$500 to Mr. Dixon for costs. That sum was never credited to Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, nor did the firm receive the money. Mr. Wong Hui Tong would also prove—

Mr. Calthrop—We want the three charges.

Mr. Potter—They will come to more than three.

Mr. Calthrop—The man is fighting for his professional existence. And we want to know the charges against him.

Continuing, Mr. Potter stated that during the continuance of an action the defendant borrowed various sums of money from Wong Hui Tong, amounting in all to \$750; that at the conclusion of that action—

The Chief Justice—Was Wong Hui Tong a client of the firm?

Mr. Potter—Yes.

Mr. Justice Gompertz—What was the action?

Mr. Potter—Yes. He was the plaintiff in the action brought by the Kwong Hing Cheung firm against Reuter, Brockelmann and Company. At the conclusion of that action, Counsel went on, a sum of \$10,000 was due to Mr. Wong's firm from Reuter, Brockelmann and Company as costs. At an interview between the defendant and Mr. Wong, the defendant suggested that if he handed over the full amount in costs to Mr. Wong he (defendant) should get \$1,000 for himself.

Mr. Calthrop—I would ask my friend to specify the dates.

Mr. Potter—I think the witness will supply the dates. I have not seen him, but I think he can give them. I think the action concluded some time in July, 1908.

Mr. Calthrop—That is very vague.

The Chief Justice said that charges had been made against the man and dates should be given.

Mr. Potter—I cannot give the dates now, but I will as soon as I can.

Mr. Justice Gompertz inquired whether the money defendant was alleged to have borrowed had been repaid.

Mr. Potter's answer was in the negative.

Mr. Calthrop—He denies borrowing any money.

Mr. Potter—Yes, he denies that.

Mr. Calthrop here proceeded to read certain rules from the Law Times newspaper when Counsel for the plaintiffs objected to anything being quoted from a newspaper. His friend had a similar objection yesterday.

Mr. Calthrop replied that in making charges against a man the material charges and dates should appear in the affidavits, but his friend had other charges now which were not in the affidavits. Here Mr. Calthrop said that if his friend "did not trust him" he would hand up the Law Times rules to the Court—which he did.

Mr. Potter—It is not a question of the drafting.

The Chief Justice—I should say that the charges be differently formulated before they come into Court.

Mr. Potter—I shall be glad to do all in fairness to the defendant. The next charge, he said, was on the 31st January, 1909, when a man named Wan Hi engaged Messrs. Hastings and Hastings to act on behalf of a friend in a Police

Court case. Wan Hi agreed to pay \$50 costs. He instructed Mr. Dixon and paid to him \$50 on account. This money defendant duly credited to the firm as having been received on account. On the 13th or 14th January, Wan Hi paid to the defendant the remaining \$20 out of the \$50. This sum, however, was never credited to the firm by the defendant and the firm never received it. The next charge against the defendant was in January of the present year.

The defendant was engaged by an Indian named Gulab in a case on the 21st January, and he paid the defendant, on account of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, costs in the sum of \$40. Only \$30 of this sum the defendant credited to his firm.

At this juncture, Counsel spoke as to the way in which defendant joined the firm of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings. The defendant, he said, came to this Colony some time in October, 1904, and joined the firm as an assistant solicitor. He showed considerable ability in the conduct of the cases in which he had been instructed, and as far as Mr. John Hastings could see he was a capable and trustworthy man; and to show how Mr. Hastings looked upon the defendant as a valuable man it need only be mentioned that at the end of his term, defendant was called upon to enter into a second agreement. By that agreement it was agreed to keep defendant for an additional term of five years as managing clerk, and at the end of the term he was promised a partnership in the business.

Mr. Justice Gompertz—Was that mentioned in the agreement?

Mr. Potter—Yes. (Proceeding)—So your Lordships will readily see that Mr. Dixon is a man, whom Mr. Hastings could have had no desire to get rid of, and your Lordships will more readily recognise the fact that Mr. Hastings was to have left Hongkong this year for some time and he relied upon Mr. Dixon stepping into his position, and to be of every assistance to the firm when the senior partner left the Colony. Your Lordships will see then that Mr. Dixon is a valuable man, and so far as desiring to get rid of him a partnership in the business was offered him.

Counsel at this point explained the rule existing in the office of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings as to the receipts of monies. When money was paid over to any person in the firm, he said, a receipt is given to the client, entries were made in the rough cash-book by the solicitor receiving the money, and a note made in the solicitor's diary of every transaction. When this was done the money is turned over to the cashier, who pays it into the bank. Of course, the reason why a solicitor should be so scrupulously exact as to the entries in the books was because of the bills of costs to be sent to clients.

This brought Counsel to the 2nd February—an important date in this matter. On that day Mr. John Hastings had a conversation with two of his interpreters, and by reason of that conversation he made inquiries and as a result of those inquiries Mr. Hastings discovered that so far from defendant being a loyal and faithful servant to the firm, and so far from being an absolutely trustworthy person, that he had taken these sums of money, borrowed sums, and made requests as already mentioned. All this evidence was obtained absolutely independent of any employee of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, said Counsel. Only in one case did Mr. Hastings invoke any outside aid, and in that case a police-inspector brought him in touch with the man, Wan Hi, in securing the charges. As he had already stated the charges are five in number, and are supported by Wong Hui Tong, who is an independent witness, and managing partner of a wealthy and influential firm of silk merchants of Canton.

Apparently there was no reason why this man should come here and swear to ruin Mr. Dixon. Mr. Dixon conducted the case for him and conducted it successfully, and so far from owing him any grudge Wong Hui Tong owed him a debt of gratitude. Wan Hi, the other witness, is the manager of a fruit store in Hongkong, and Gulab is a jemadar in the Police Force. There could, therefore, be no collusion among the witnesses: Wong Hui Tong belongs to Canton; Wan Hi resides in Hongkong, and Gulab is an Indian.

On the 26th March, Mr. John Hastings had an interview with the defendant on this matter. It might be stated here that at that interview Mr. Hastings was not aware of the charges to be made by Wong Hui Tong, of Canton.

At the interview, Mr. Hastings said to the defendant that it had been reported to him (Mr. Hastings) by Hung Kam Ming (the late interpreter) that defendant had been in the habit of receiving monies from clients for costs and of paying portions of it into the office and retaining the balance for himself; that this was done usually in Police Court cases, or cases in which clients paid money to him direct in cash. Mr. Hastings also said that he had made independent inquiries into the matter, and that he was satisfied that he had obtained sufficient evidence to satisfy him that the charges were true.

Mr. Dixon, Counsel said, answered—"It is not so." He then left the room, and had not gone for more than a minute, when Mr. Hastings called him back and said to him—"I have sufficient evidence to prosecute you, Dixon; but I have no wish to do so. I want you to go away, for I cannot keep you in my office now."

The defendant sat down, and then said—"I admit having taken money from the office, but it was only small amounts, and there were not many occasions on which I did it."

Mr. Hastings said—"It is not the question of the amount. It is a matter of principle." Mr. Hastings went on to tell defendant that he was in a position of trust and responsibility, and that he could not keep him in employment after this. He (Mr. Hastings) attributed the whole affair to defendant keeping bad company, and living with a European woman, who ran him into greater expense than he could afford, and that defendant had promised him to

give up this mode of life, and had not done so.

To this defendant answered—"I might have taken thousands if I wanted to."

Mr. Hastings then suggested that defendant should go to Japan, ostensibly on a holiday, and that he should not return. He suggested further that defendant should go to some other place where he could continue his practice.

Defendant said—"I have nowhere to go to. I can't go home as my father has already two sons in the business." He begged Mr. Hastings to reconsider the matter and let him stay on, adding that what had occurred would be a lesson to him. That concluded the first interview.

On the 31st March, Mr. Hastings wrote to defendant the following letter:—

31st March, 1909.
Dear Dixon,—Referring to our interview of the 16th instant, during which you admitted to me that you had taken office money on various occasions, though you said the amounts were small, I have considered the matter very carefully, being most anxious to do what is right both as regards yourself and as regards this firm; and I can come to no conclusion but that you must leave this office.

You are in a position of great trust and responsibility and it is impossible that you can be continued in such a position, unless this firm has complete confidence in you which of course cannot be the case after what has occurred.

The Agreement between us must therefore be cancelled and I enclose you an Agreement cancelling same which please sign and return.

I do not, however, wish to send you away at once; and have no objection to your staying on for a month or two if you wish at the same salary, etc., in order to give you time to look round and make your plan as to what you will do.

It must be understood, however, that we are at liberty to determine such engagement at any time should any necessity arise for doing so.

As regards the money paid by Sharpe, Parkers & Co. for your admission as a Notary, I have written to my brother to try and get it refunded. If that cannot be done of course you must pay it.

I trust that if you stop here for a time as suggested, you will give up living with the woman with whom you are now living and try and save all you can.

I should be glad also to know particulars of the amounts which you have taken from the office monies and to have same refunded.

Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) JOHN HASTINGS,
C. F. Dixon, Esq.

Mr. Potter, after reading the letter, continued by saying that Mr. Hastings wanted to cover defendant as much as possible, and requested him to stay on for two months more until he had collected sufficient money to leave the Colony. There was no reply to the above letter, and on the 2nd April Mr. Hastings addressed defendant again, calling upon him to surrender the signed agreement which was sent to him on 31st ult. On the 2nd April, the same day, Mr. John Hastings received a letter from Messrs. Ewens and Harston. The letter is appended:—

2nd April, 1909.

Dear Sir,—We have been consulted by Mr. C. F. Dixon relative to your letter to him of the 31st ult., and Mr. Dixon has informed us of what took place at your interview with him on the 26th ult.

Mr. Dixon instructs us that at such interview he denied the charges which you advanced against him.

In the first paragraph of your letter under reply you allege that, at the interview in question, the charges were admitted.

We are instructed to say that such was not the case and that the charges in question were then and still are denied.

We have further to inform you that, in view of your statement to Mr. Dixon at the interview of the 26th ult. above alluded to that Mr. Hung Kam Ning had admitted that the charges were true and that he was implicated, Mr. Harston has seen Mr. Hung Kam Ning and has been informed by him that he has not only never admitted the truth of the charges, but strenuously denies them.

Under the terms of the Agreement dated the 15th April, 1907, made by your firm with Mr. Dixon he is entitled to certain substantial rights—which rights he is the more entitled to by reason of the fact that he has, in reliance upon the due recognition by your firm of those rights, partly performed the terms of such Agreement.

This Agreement we gather from your letter under reply you are desirous should be cancelled; but, upon the facts laid before us, we have advised Mr. Dixon he should refuse to sign the Agreement of Cancellation which you have prepared and endorsed upon the original Agreement.

With reference to the question of the money paid for his admission as a Notary by Messrs. Sharpe, Parkers & Co. (who we understand are your London Agents) we have advised Mr. Dixon that, upon the facts laid before us by him, it is perfectly clear that your firm and your firm alone is legally liable to reimburse Messrs. Sharpe, Parkers & Co. the amount disbursed by them.

In view of the position raised by the charges brought by you against Mr. Dixon we can well understand (as we are informed is the case) that the relations between you are somewhat strained and the position altogether by no means a desirable one from Mr. Dixon's point of view.

It is possible that if Mr. Harston could meet you to discuss the matter some satisfactory arrangement might be arrived at, but you will please distinctly understand that, in the meantime, Mr. Dixon claims that

his rights under the Agreement above mentioned are valid and subsisting.

Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) EWENS & HARSTON.

John Hastings, Esq.

Soon after the receipt of this letter, said Counsel, Mr. Hastings had another interview with the defendant. "What do you mean by admitting this thing to me," he said, "and go to a firm of solicitors and instruct them to deny it?"

"I must deny it," the defendant is alleged to have said, "or else I shall go under altogether."

Mr. Hastings told defendant that there was no necessity "for him going under altogether." There were other places than Hongkong.

The defendant asked if he could not be allowed to practise in Hongkong.

Mr. Hastings said he could not.

Concluding, Mr. Potter said he did not know what the defence in the case would be. He did not know how defendant proposed to get over what seemed to be an insuperable difficulty created by his own language in these interviews. But he took it the defence would be a total denial of the charges, which would mean that Mr. Hastings had invented them with marvellous particularity. When their Lordships had heard the witnesses, when they had heard the defendant, and the cross-examination he (Counsel) will ask them to say that the charges had been proved, and that however painful it would be to their Lordships, he would ask them to decide what punishment they would decree to a case of this kind.

Mr. John Hastings was then called to the witness-box. He said that he had a solicitor's practice in Hongkong and was the senior partner in the firm of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings. In 1904, Mr. Dixon first joined the firm as assistant solicitor. On the 15th of April, 1907, he entered into a new agreement by which Mr. Dixon was to continue in the firm's employment for another five years, at the end of which he was to be given a partnership. Witness had always found Mr. Dixon a valuable man and had no desire to get rid of him. He expected great services of him in case of witness' departure from the Colony. Witness proceeded home during 1908, where he remained till 15th October. The rule in his office is when a solicitor receives money for costs, he enters it himself in a rough cash-book. He then hands the money to the cashier, whose duty it is to pay the money at once to the Bank. A receipt was always given for all monies paid to the firm. Each solicitor had to make an entry into the diary for all services rendered to clients and those entries went into the bill for costs. On the 2nd February, 1909, witness had an interview with Tam Ling Kwong, his present interpreter, and with a former interpreter who had since retired from his service. In consequence of these interviews, he made inquiries and also requested Chief Detective-Inspector Hanson to make inquiries in regard to certain cases. He obtained certain evidence in the case of Wong Hi. Tam Ling Kwong further gave him further particulars of the case of Wong Hui Tong, in which the Kwong Hing Cheung firm sued Reuter, Brockelmann & Co. Mr. Dixon had taken up that case. On the 26th of March, witness had an interview with Mr. Dixon. On the following day, he wrote to his brother informing him of the result of the interview. In the interview, witness told Mr. Dixon that it was reported that he was in the habit of receiving money for costs from clients and paying a portion of it to the office and keeping the balance for himself. Witness gave Mr. Dixon to understand that he had been informed that this used to be done principally in Police Court cases or in cases in which Mr. Dixon received money in cash from clients. Witness said that he had made independent inquiries in the matter and was satisfied that the information given him was true. Mr. Dixon denied the allegations and shortly afterwards left the room, but witness almost immediately called him back. Witness informed Mr. Dixon that he had evidence in his possession on which he could prosecute him, but that he had no wish whatever to do so. He, however, advised him to go away, as it was impossible to keep him in the office. Mr. Dixon then admitted of having taken money from the office, but he said the amounts were small and the occasions were not many on which he did so. Witness replied that the amount was not the question, but the matter was one of principle. Mr. Dixon was in a position of trust and responsibility and witness said he could not see how it was possible for him to keep him in the office. He suggested to Mr. Dixon that he should go away and practise elsewhere. The latter replied that he had nowhere to go. He could not go home, because his father had already two sons in the business. Witness suggested other places where he might go to. Witness attributed what had occurred to the fact that Mr. Dixon was living with a European woman, who must have run him into a great deal of expense more than he could afford. Mr. Dixon said he did not spend more than he could afford. Witness reminded defendant that his (witness') brother had spoken to him about the subject of living with this woman and that he had proposed to give up that mode of life. Defendant begged witness to give him another chance and said this would serve as a lesson to him. He said he could have taken thousands if he had wished to do so. He begged him to reconsider the matter and write to his brother. Witness said he had already written to his brother. Witness said he felt absolutely certain that defendant had admitted having taken money from the office.

Witness said that two letters were produced, both written by witness, dated the 31st March and the 2nd April, respectively. A reply was received to the letter of 2nd April from Messrs. Ewens and Harston. Continuing, witness said that on receipt of the letter from Messrs. Ewens and Harston, he called Mr. Dixon to his room and asked him what he meant by admitting that he had taken money from the office and then instructing a firm of solicitors to write a letter denying it. Mr. Dixon said he must deny it or go under altogether. Witness said he saw no reason why he should go under altogether. Hongkong was not the only place in the world. He could make a living anywhere. Witness said if Mr. Dixon wished to fight, he was perfectly willing to do so. Mr. Dixon said he did not wish to fight. He asked to be allowed to practise in Hongkong and said he would not take away witness' clients or words

To-day's Advertisements.

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th June 1909.

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Hongkong, 15th June, 1909.

to that effect. This request witness refused. Witness had no wish to fight. Mr. Dixon nor had he any motive to ruin him. He was the most useful man in his office.

By Mr. Calthrop—Witness had had his practice for a long time in Hongkong. He started in 1880—29 years. Witness did not know if he had been very successful. During that time, he had a great deal of experience in criminal and Common Law cases. At the time Tam Ling Kwong made his report, he did not specify any particular point. He did not know of his own knowledge but had been told about it by Tung Kam Ming. Soon afterwards, he placed the matter in the hands of Inspector Hanson. Through Inspector Hanson, he got some evidence from Wong Hi which satisfied him. On the 26th of March, he had information as to Wong Hi and Gulab. The interview took place about 5.10 or 5.15 in the afternoon. Besides witness and Mr. Dixon, nobody else was present at the interview. He did not have a third and independent person present because he did not think it necessary. Witness admitted that it would have been advisable to have had a third person present at the time Mr. Dixon was charged with the alleged embezzlement. He would not have advised a client to adopt that course. He wrote a letter to his brother and gave the result of the interview word for word but simply contained a summary of it. (Here a letter dated the 27th March was produced and read in Court. Part of the letter contained matter irrelevant to the case, which was left over by permission from the Bench. The concluding portion of the letter said that Mr. Dixon had given up a good position and good talents—and for what?)

Mr. Hastings' cross-examination was still proceeding when the Court rose for tiffin.

When the proceedings resumed the attendance in Court had increased somewhat. Among the spectators were noticed some well-known local European merchants, who remained throughout the afternoon's proceedings.

The cross-examination of Mr. Hastings was continued after Mr. Calthrop had read a letter, numbering some twenty typewritten pages, written by Messrs. Ewens and Harston to Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist. The reply to that letter was also read to the Court, as were many others, all of which were put in as Exhibits.

Under cross-examination, Mr. Hastings reiterated that he found defendant a very useful man. In 1907 he left for home in April, and the agreement with the defendant was entered into just before that. The first agreement with the second one was entered into in the first quarter of 1908. The first agreement was only completed two and three-quarter years under the first one. Witness wanted to keep Mr. Dixon, but the latter wanted terms. The second agreement was made by witness' brother—Mr. Geo. Hastings—and not by witness.

Under that agreement defendant was to get \$325 a month for the first year and \$350 for the next three years with commission and a profit—one per cent. for the first year, two per cent. for the second year and so forth. The question of leave, salary when away, and passage money (single passage only) were also mentioned. Witness first saw Wong Hui Tong this year—not last year. The Reuter, Brockelmann action took place while witness was at home. There was a large sum of money paid to Wong Hui Tong by witness' firm for costs. Witness may have seen Wong with Mr. Dixon then. The accounts were made up by Mr. Dixon. The account was paid to Wong about the middle of April. There was a complaint made at the time by Wong about the costs and Cown costs. When the complaint was made, Wong, Tam, defendant and witness were present. An arrangement had been made to charge Wong \$500 for making out the accounts. Wong, in his complaint regarding the costs, said that he had paid the sum of \$500 to Mr. Dixon which had not been accounted for. Witness questioned him about it, but did not take down a note at the time about the complaint. He did not consider it necessary to make a note. At the next interview with Wong, witness asked him if he would give evidence about the money he had given to Mr. Dixon. Wong was unwilling, and stated that he did not want to have anything to do with the matter. Wong also complained of the costs being too high and wanted them reduced. Witness said he would go through them and see.

The cross-examination was still going on when our reporter left the Court.

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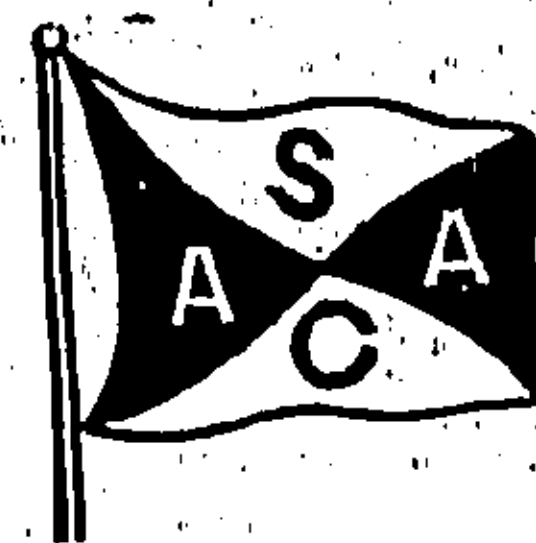
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The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 15th at 11.55 a.m.—The depression crossed E. Nippon during the night and is situated this morning off the coast of Hokkaido near Nemuro.

The barometer has risen quickly over S. Japan, while it is inclined to fall over the S. coast of China and Formosa.

Pressure remains high over the Upper Yangtze, and over the N. part of the China Sea and the Pacific towards the Bonins.

Moderate variable winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and moderate S. monsoon along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.07 inches.

FORECAST.

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, S.W. winds, moderate; fair.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, Variable winds, moderate.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook, same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, S. winds, moderate.

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Malla, Br. s.s., 3,990, G. M. Montford, R.N.R., 15th June, London 8th May, and Singapore 10th June, Mail and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Poon, Br. s.s., 4,878, A. F. Vine, R.N.R., 15th June, Shanghai 12th June, Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Hadi, Fr. s.s., 742, J. Pannier, 15th June, Haiphong via Fuzhou, Hoihow and Kwong-chow-wan 14th June, Gen.—A. R. M.	

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Wingang, for Swatow.
Hailan, for Swatow.
Tungshing, for Canton.
Kafong, for Cebu.
Burichow, for Swatow.
Yatorofu Maru, for Shanghai.
Changsha, for Manila.
Matopo, for Shanghai.

Departures.

June 15.
Mongolia, for San Francisco.
Hailan, for Coast Ports.
Nord, for Tientsin.
Amir, for Saigon.
Sigan, for Haiphong.
Chinkwa, for Canton.
Fudo Maru, for Japan.
Changsha, for Australian Ports.
Kaitoko, for Hoihow.
Wingang, for Shanghai.
Kafong, for Haiphong.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Haiman*, from Swatow—Messrs. G. Grant and J. Isaacs.
Per *Glenogle*, from Singapore—Mr. Wakefield and son, and 1,493 Chinese.
Per *Japan*, from Calcutta, &c.—Lieut. A. Creery, Messrs. MacMillan, Ch. A. Hicks, A. W. Baniogart, and 828 Chinese.
Per *Malla*, for Hongkong from London—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Grossett and infant, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Williams, Lieut. G. P. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brock and child, Dr. F. X. Castello, Dr. A. H. Anderson, Mr. H. W. Smart, Sgt. and Mrs. Heath, and Mrs. Lewis' amah. From Singapore—Lieut. D. W. D. Kimm, and Mrs. Cousland's amah. From Port Said for Kobe—Mr. and Mrs. Miss and Master Delbourgo and 2 children, and Mr. S. Trumore. From London for Shanghai—Messrs. F. Stewart, D. McInnes, J. H. Beckshall, J. T. Reid, Miss, and Misses E. and N. Lewis, and Miss Hamilton.

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Haiman*, from Swatow—Moderate to light S.W. wind and fine.
Str. *Japan*, from Calcutta, &c.—Light S.W. winds and fine weather with smooth sea from Singapore to port.
Str. *Tungshing*, from Wuhu and Chinkiang—Fine weather in Yangtze, light monsoon and fog to Heibans the moderate monsoon to port.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.	
Ascania, Ger. s.s., 1,297, A. G. Hansen, 11th June, Canton 11th June, Gen.—H. A. L. Baer Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,368, J. Yamana, 12th June, Calcutta 10th June, Coal and Sulphuric Acid—M. B. K.	
Bellerophon, Br. s.s., 5,725, T. Bartlett, 11th June, Kobe 5th June, Gen.—B. & S.	
Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 997, Le Bail, 6th June, Saigon 2nd June, Gen.—Man Fat.	
Childar, Nor. s.s., 1,102, H. Nielsen, 13th June, Bangkok via Hoihow 31st May, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.	
Choising, Ger. s.s., 1,021, J. Bruhn, 14th June, Bangkok 5th June, Rice and Timber—B. & S.	
Chowia, Ger. s.s., 1,115, F. Schmeitz, 11th June, Bangkok 3rd June, and Hoihow 10th, Rice and Timber—B. & S.	
Fukura Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,946, S. Kumawaki, 12th June, Moji 7th June, Coal—M. B. K.	
Haitan, Br. s.s., 1,183, J. S. Roach, 13th June, Swatow 12th June, Gen.—D. L. & Co.	
Henrik Ibsen, Nor. s.s., 2,959, M. B. Shandwitz, 9th July, Newcastle, N.S.W. 19th May, Ballast—Order.	
Indra, Br. s.s., 3,225, M. Macfarlane, 14th June, Keelung 12th June, Tea, &c.—J. & Co.	
Kumsang, Br. s.s., 2,078, E. J. Buller, 8th June, Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 14th June, Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Kutang, Br. s.s., 3,109, R. C. D. Bradley, 11th June, Moji 6th June, Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Landat Scheff, Ger. s.s., 1,640, A. Struve, 14th June, Haiphong 12th June, Rice—S. & Co.	
Maassang, Br. s.s., 1,644, G. S. Weigall, 11th June, Sandakan 31st May, Timber and Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Mongolia, Am. s.s., 8,750, H. E. Morton, 11th June, San Francisco 5th May, and Shanghai 30th, Mail and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.	
Neumanna, Ger. s.s., 2,794, H. Feldmann, 14th June, Moji 8th June, Coal—H. A. L.	
Nord, Br. s.s., 1,748, Fadd, 13th June, Singapore 5th June, Oil—Mr. Geo. McBurney.	
Protus, Nor. s.s., 1,024, C. Moller, 11th June, Bangkok 2nd June, Rice—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.	
Shinano Maru, Jap. s.s., 6,387, K. Kawara, 13th June, Shanghai 10th June, Gen.—N. Y. K.	
Taikosan Maru, Jap. s.s., Fukui, 14th June, Miike 8th June, Coal—M. B. K.	
Taming, Br. s.s., 1,750, A. Somerville, 4th June, Manila 1st June, Gen.—B. & S.	
Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,340, G. Edwards, 12th June, Saigon 8th June, Gen.—W. Fat Siny.	
Tonyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 7,255, E. Bent, 9th June, San Francisco 13th May, Honolulu 10th, Yokohama 1st June, Kobe 2nd, Nagasaki 5th, and Shanghai 7th, Gen.—T. K. K.	
Teucer, Br. s.s., 5,807, G. V. Parkinson, 10th June, Manila 8th June, Gen.—B. & S.	
Tsintau, Ger. s.s., 2,750, Fr. Bücking, 12th June, Bangkok 6th June, Rice and Salt—B. & S.	
Wongkol, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. Reher, 11th June, Bangkok via Swatow 2nd June, Rice and Teak-logs—M. & Co.	
Yuenang, Br. s.s., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 14th June, Manila 11th June, Gen.—J. M. & Co.	
Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,629, R. Rodger, 14th June, Manila 12th June, Gen.—S. T. & Co.	

SAILING VESSELS.

Alcides, Br. 4-masted bark, 2,668, L. Smith, 1st May, Kobe 23rd April, Gen.—S. O. Co.
Sumatra, Ger. schooner, 320, C. Navey, 22nd May, New Guinea 30th April, Gen.—M. & Co.

Ships Passed the Canal.

20th April—*Asyanax*, St. Patrick, *Achilles*, *Antenor*, *Namur*, *Palawan*, *Saxonia*, *Kama Maru*, 23rd April—*Cardagahire*, *Nera*, 27th April—*Lutnow*, *Dennoh*, *Brasmar*, *Dorimund*, *Larion*, *Sikhota*, 30th April—*Sydney*, *Alberga*, *Menzies*, *Inaba Maru*, *Kawachi Maru*, *Prins Ludwig*, 4th May—*Cyclops*, *Banca*, 7th May—*Peiho*, *Calcedonia*, *Glenish*, *Ping Sway*, *Simla*, *Cathay*, 11th May—*Dennedi*, *Flintshire*, *Sumatra*, *Bedouin*, *Perla*, *Prins Regent*, *Lutfold*, *Stam*, 14th May—*Gorden*, *Norman Prince*, *Vorwarts*, *Hiltsch Maru*, *Dennovers*, *Tourane*, *Sanki Maru*, 14th May—*Denncaiton*, *Glenroy*, 15th May—*Parina*, *Kaitoko*, 21st May—*Ernst Simon*, *Malla*, *Hyon*, *Mikima*, *Maru*, *Pak*, *Liv Segula*, 25th May—*York*, *Palma*, *Dennorlich*, 28th May—*Ambrisa*, *Awa Maru*, *Armand Behic*, *Glamorganshire*, *Kanagawa Maru*, *Bulow*, *Konang Si*, *Orizeli*, *Proclius*, *Sikh*, 1st June—*Cyrus*, *Dacia*, *Cattle*, *Indra-wadi*, *Glenavon*, *Tydrus*, 4th June—*Franguey*, *Gar*, *Indrahama*, *Prometheus*, *Sardonia*, *Slavonia*, *Tonkin*, *Carmavonshire*, *Macdonald*, *Nubia*, *Stilla*, (Aus.) 8th June—*Kliff*, *Benarig*, *Yaddo*, 11th June—*Derflinger*, *Jason*, *Tomba Maru*.

Arrivals at Home—30th April—*Yaddo*, *Prometheus*, 21st April—*Nora*, 23rd April—*Tomba Maru*, 27th April—*Macdonald*, *Ben-cluch*, *Headly*, *Andalusia*, *Woolfhalia*, 30th April—*Kliff*, *Nera*, 4th May—*Thorid*, *Achilles*, 7th May—*Inaba Maru*, *Larion*, *Palawan*, 11th May—*Dorimund*, *Saxonia*, 14th May—*Calcedonia*, *Prins Ludwig*, 19th May—*Peiho*, *Ping Sway*, 21st May—*Gorden*, *Vorwarts*, *Sumatra*, *Hiltsch Maru*, 25th May—*Alberga*, *Flintshire*, *Mikima*, *Banca*, *Sumatra*, 28th May—*Parina*, *Cathay*, *Glenroy*, *Ghaas*, *Ernst Simon*, 1st June—*Hyon*, 4th June—*Bulow*, *Kanagawa Maru*, 8th June—*Kaitoko*, 10th June—*Palma*, 11th June—*Norman Prince*, *Tonkin*.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Lutnow	Foochow	M. & Co.	June 10
Parla	Foochow	S. V. & Co.	June 10
Mikima Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	June 10
Yaboshi Maru	Moji	N. Y. K.	June 10
Hangchow	Chinkiang	B. & S.	June 10
Linan	Shanghai	B. & S.	June 10
Korea	Japan	P. M. Co.	June 10
Armand Behic	Singapore	M. M.	June 21
Sado Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	June 21
Emp. of China	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	June 24
P. Sigismund	Sydney	M. & Co.	June 25
Taiyuan	Sydney	B. & S.	July 14

DOCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.	
Chan Po	at Kowloon Dock.
Tonyo Maru	"
Dajin Maru	"
Tai On	"

TAIKOO DOCKS.

Maple Leaf	at Quarry Bay Docks.
Taming	"
Anhui	"

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Vladivostok	7 a.m.	29.53	88 W 10
Nemuro	8 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Hakodate	9 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Tokio	10 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Kochi	11 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Nagasaki	12 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Kagoshima	1 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Oshima	2 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Naha	3 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Ishigakijima	4 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Choshi	5 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Beifu	6 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Weihaeiwei	7 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Hankow	8 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Kuikang	9 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Shanghai	10 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Gutslaff	11 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Sharp Peak	12 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Amoy	1 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Swatow	2 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Taihou	3 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Falchu	4 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Taiwan	5 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Koshan	6 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Pescadores	7 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Canton	8 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Hongkong	9 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Victoria Peak	10 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Gap Rock	11 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Macao	12 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Wuchow	1 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Hoihow	2 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Pakhoi	3 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Phulieu	4 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Tourane	5 a.m.	29.59	W 6
O. St. James	6 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Legai	7 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Bacodol	8 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Jollo	9 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Cebu	10 a.m.	29.59	W 6
Laban	11 a.m.	29.59	W 6

June 15th, 1909, a.m.

Vladivostok	7 a.m.	29.71	50 78 S 10
Nemuro	8 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Hakodate	9 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Tokio	10 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Kochi	11 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Nagasaki	12 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Kagoshima	1 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Oshima	2 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Naha	3 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Ishigakijima	4 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Choshi	5 a.m.	29.71	S 10
Beifu	6 a.m.	29.71	S 10
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Post Office.

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe.
The public are informed that mails to China via Siberia are despatched from the London General Post Office on Wednesday and Friday afternoons and Saturday evenings. No supplementary mails will be forwarded.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia.

19th June	at 8.30 P.M.
24th "	at 1.00 P.M.
26th "	at 8.30 P.M.
30th "	at 8.30 P.M.
3rd July	at 8.30 P.M.

A Mail will close for—

Amoy—Per *Glenogle*, 16th June, 9 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or.—Per *Henrik Ibsen*, 16th June, 10 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Malla*, 16th June, 11 A.M.
Taichang and Vladivostok—Per *Ascania*, 16th June, 11 A.M.
Swatow—Per *Haiman*, 16th June, 1 P.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 16th June, 1.15 P.M.
Manila—Per *Taming*, 16th June, 2 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Kutang*, 16th June, 2 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe—Per *Yatorofu Maru*, 16th June, 2 P.M.
Manila—Per *Indrani*, 16th June, 4 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsul—Per *Dajin Maru*, 17th June, 9 A.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 17th June, 1.15 P.M.

Shanghai—Per *Chinkwa*, 17th June, 3 P.M.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE PERCENT QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.	
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT			
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$14,500,000 \$15,000,000	\$2,006,234	Final of £2 and bonus of 5/- for 1908 @ ex 1/8 = 316.014	5 1/2 % \$990 sales London £92	
National Bank of China, Limited	99,975	£7	£6	\$1,000,000 \$150,000	\$10,223	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 % \$51	
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$235,757 \$417,990 \$150,000 \$1,297,747 \$118,277 \$1,000,000	none	\$14 for 1907	7 1/2 % \$105 sellers	
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	\$1,000,000 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 100,512	Interim of 7/6 for 1908	5 1/2 % Tls. 105 buyers	
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$2,464,932	Final of \$17 making \$47 for 1907 and interim of \$30 for 1908	5 1/2 % \$845	
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$14,415 \$199,064 \$1,000,000 \$438,663 \$15,000	\$7,763,7	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1907	7 1/2 % \$225 buyers	
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$375,341	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1907	7 1/2 % \$110 buyers	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$368,711	\$27 for 1907	8 % \$345 buyers	
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$1,025	\$1 for 1906	7 % \$11 sellers	
Donghai Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Nil.	2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.1908	7 % \$36 sellers	
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$20,270	Final of 1 1/2 making \$2 1/2 for 1908	7 1/2 % \$33 buyers	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	£5	£5	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	£13,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/16 = \$1.154	4 % \$75 sellers	
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 14,510	Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 3 1/2 for 1908	7 1/2 % Tls. 52 sellers	
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	£61,817	Second interim of 1/- for a/c 1908	7 % Tls. 53 buyers	
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$3,121	\$1.00 for year ending 10.4.1909	4 % \$26	
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 2,225	Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 2 1/2 for 1908	11 % Tls. 45 sales	
RAFFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Dr. \$5,858	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08	3 1/2 % \$140 sales	
Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Dr. \$15,813	\$3 for 1897	...	\$15 sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 9,273	Tls. 3 1/2 for year ending 31.8.08	...	Tls. 275 sales
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	£11,556	Interim of 1/6 (coupon No. 12) for year ending 29.2.09	7 % Tls. 181 sales	
Rioh Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	£1	£1	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	...	\$9 buyers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Dr. \$7,421	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	...	\$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	\$50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$10,102	Final of \$1 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1907	...	\$59 sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$187,78	Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1908	11 1/2 % \$651 sellers	
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 33,742	Interim of Tls. 2 1/2 for 6 months ending 31st October, 1908	6 % Tls. 84 sellers	
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 22,818	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908	6 % Tls. 161 buyers	
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 4,134	Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.09	3 1/2 % Tls. 104 buyers	
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Dr. 4,200	\$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.07	...	\$10
Central Stores, Limited	50,128	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$24,611	\$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue	...	\$9 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$24,611	Final of \$3 making \$6 for 1908	...	\$60 a. ex n.d.
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$26,476	Final of \$3 1/2 making \$7 for 1905	6 1/2 % \$110 sellers	
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$5,485	60 cents for 1908	6 1/2 % \$91 buyers	
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$278	\$1 1/2 for 1908	5 % \$30 buyers	
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 142,404	Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making Tls. 5 for 1908	6 1/2 % Tls. 120	
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$1,968	Final of \$2 making \$4 for 1908	8 1/2 % \$46 sales	
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 8,820	Tls. 5 for year ended 31.10.1908	4 1/2 % Tls. 122 sellers	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	6 % \$81 sales	
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.06 (8%)	...	Tls. 86
Laon-kuang-cow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 4,829	Tls. 4 for 1908	...	Tls. 108
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 15,911	Tls. 50 for 1906	...	Tls. 375
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,504	£12 1/2	£12 1/2	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	£648	1/10th per share for 1907 = 1.037	10 % \$101	
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12 1/2	\$12 1/2	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Nil.	\$1.20 or 1908	8 1/2 % \$131 buyers	
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$51,138	50 cents for year ended 28.2.06	...	\$61 buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$102,000	80 cents for 1908	8 1/2 % \$91 buyers	
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$48	\$1.30 for year ending 31.7.08	7 1/2 % \$161 buyers	
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$3,750	Final of 50 cents making 90 cents for 1908	10 1/2 % \$9 buyers	
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$5,000	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 % \$12	
Hall & Holt, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$8,957	\$2 for year ending 29.2.09	9 1/2 % \$21 buyers	
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$1,195	\$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.09	6 1/2 % \$191 buyers	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$7,616	Final of \$15 per share making \$9 for 1908	12 1/2 % \$155 sellers	
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$8,790	Final of \$1 per share making \$2 for 1908	8 1/2 % \$15 sales	
Maatschappij tot Exploitatie van Landbouwerij op de Looij, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 116,682	1st Quarterly div. of Tls. 12 1/2 for account 1909	4 % Tls. 2,110 b.	
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$2,204	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.09	6 % \$131 buyers	
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Pa. 18,640	None	3 % \$8	
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907	6 1/2 % Tls. 123 sales	
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 5,250	Final Tls. 5 making Tls. 8 for 1908	4 1/2 % Tls. 171 buyers	
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	£20	£20	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Tls. 23,038	Final of 3/- making 46/- for 1908	...	Tls. 415 buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	Dr. \$56,602	None	...	\$24
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$264,638 \$390,007 \$150,000 \$507,100 \$19,148 \$101,249 \$681,609	\$150	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	8 % \$5 sales	
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	\$7,000 				

* These shares are entitled to half of the profits.